

COCKBURN SOUND, INVENTORY OF CONTAMINATED SITES

408. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

In the State of Cockburn Sound report released in 2001, page 72 notes that an inventory of contaminated sites in the Cockburn Sound catchment is needed -

- (1) When does the Minister intend to commence an inventory of contaminated sites?
- (2) When is the estimated completion time?
- (3) How much money has been allocated to this inventory process?
- (4) What departments are involved in compiling the inventory?

Hon TOM STEPHENS replied:

- (1) A key recommendation of the recently released Draft Environmental Management Plan for Cockburn Sound is to update the existing inventory of contaminated sites within the catchment of Cockburn Sound. This task is scheduled to commence next financial year -2002/03.
- (2) The estimated completion time is June 2003.
- (3) The inventory process is part of the overall task of implementing the Environmental Management Plan. The projected budget estimate for implementing the Plan next financial year is \$50 000.
- (4) The Department of Environmental Protection will be the lead agency in compiling the inventory. Assistance will be sought from other agencies and groups, including the Department of Minerals and Petroleum Resources, Department of Health, local government authorities and community groups.